State	Scheme	Capacity (MW)	Date of receipt of DPR in CEA	Status
U.P.	Jawaharpur TPP (M/s Jawaharpur Power India Pvt. Ltd., Private Sector)	2x400=800	26.12.1996	IPC issued on 16.8.95 - Pending inputs/clearances: (i) Water availability. (CWC, CGWB). (ii) Land availability. (iii) State Government recommendation on DPR/Cost.
U.P.	Maneri Bhali Stage-II HEP (State Sector)	4x76=304	August, 1998	Considered by SPAC on 5.11.99 & recommended for TEC.

Scam in rural development plans in Assam

2250. SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the extent of annual assistance given by the Centre to Assam Government for its rural development programmes;

(b) whether it is a fact that scam has been discovered recently in the rural development plans, involving over a hundred crores of rupees;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what is the reaction of Government with regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA): (a) The Central assistance provided to Assam for implementation of programmes of rural development and poverty alleviation in the years 1997-98 and 1998-99 was Rupees 234.62 crores and Rupees 424.94 crores respectively.

(b) to (d) Government is not aware of any scam in the implementation of these programmes in Assam.

Agricultural production for rural development

†2251. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that growth rate of agricultural production in the country needs to be increased for rural development;

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.